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SUBJECT: STATE SECURITY DETAINS EGYPTIAN-GERMAN BLOGGER AND GAZA ACTIVIST REF: A. 09 CAIRO 79 B. 08 CAIRO 2431 C. 08 CAIRO 862 D. 08 CAIRO 797
1.(C) Summary and comment: Egyptian State Security (SSIS) arrested Egyptian-German student, blogger, film-maker and pro-Palestinian activist Ph

2.(C) Human rights lawyer Gamal Eid confirmed for us that SSIS detained Egyptian-German blogger, film-maker, American University in Cairo (AUC)

3.(C) The German Embassy Consul General told us that police initially detained Rizk the evening of February 6 near Ismailia as part of a group

4.(C) Lawyer Gamal Eid and the German CG told us that SSIS entered the Rizk family home in Cairo at 1 AM the morning of February 9 to "search f

5.(C) Comment: The early morning raid of the Rizk family home is a troubling development that indicates the GOE may be intending to hold Rizk f